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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL AND GENERAL COURT 1624.*

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A Courte held the 7th of March 1624, beinge
present; Sr Francis Wyatt knight Governor &c.
Sr George Yardley knight, Docto Pott
and Capt Roger Smith

Yt ordered in Courte yt Charles Harmer*(1) shall
give such Sufficyent securitie to Mr Thomas
Bunn as he shall accept of for to pay Mr Bunn
one hundred pound waight of the best mrchantable
Tobacco in leafe and three barrells of Coarne
at or before the tenth daye of Aprell now
next ensueinge
Yt is also ordered yt the saide Charles Harmer
shall make present payment of two barrells

*(1) Charles Harmer, who died about 1644, was brother of Dr. John Harmer, Greek Professor at Oxford. He was a Burgess for Accomac at the session of September, 1632. See this Magazine, IV, 274.

of Corne to William Davis *or otherwyse*
except it shall appeere by the testimony of Capt
William Epps y^{t} William Davis was contented
to Accept of the said two barrells of Corne
to be paid the next Cropp.

Y^{t} apereth by the testinomy of Capt Epps y^{t} Wm Davis y^{s} to
stay for ye 2 barrells of corne till ye next Cropp

Y^{t} is ordered y^{t} Ensigne Thomas Savage shall
interprett for the good of ye Plantacon of Acomack
Accordinge to sjch directions as he shall receave
from Capt William Epps, or ells to enter into
bounde of two hundred pounde sterlinge wth sufficient
Suertiis, unto Capt Wm Epps not to have any
Conference at all or familiaritie wth the Indians of those Ptes

Y^{t} is ordered y^{t} the heicfor wch my Lady dale by
her letter did give to Capt Thorpe, shall be
Consigned over to the La:Dales overseer, in
Satisfactione of six barrells of corne, dew
from the said Capt Thorpe to my La:Dale
beinge lent by Mr Colfer her overseer w^{ch}
Charle [sic] Harmer her overseer now, Accepteth
of in Courte.

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Y^{t} is ordered y^{t} yf any one shall p^{r}sume to trade
wth the Indyans for Corne abojt the Esterne
Shore wth ow^{t} specyall Lysenc from the
Govnor and Counsell, that Capt Epps
shall *pesently* by ye next fittinge opertunitie send upp the
offender to James
Cyttie to receace Censure, zesinge first
vppon such Corne by measure, as they shall

have brought in, and y^{t} yf it shall apere
there shalbe any extreeme need of Corne in
that plantacon, the Courte resolves to
proceed by ymployinge Capt Epps, as
they have done wth Capt Harmer

A Copie of the La: Dale: *(2) her
Letter to Capt thorpe

Cosine Thorpe
I have receaved your Lre and doe give you thankes for puttinge
me in minde of my promise,to the perfance of which,
I doe very willinglie Subscribe, and woulde have written
to my overseer Henry Watkines to deliver yoy a younge Heickfor,
but that I understande you have her already
and I intreate you woulde be pleased to shew this my
Lre to Henry Watkines for his discharge, Least hee
shoulde follow my generall directiones, and soe crosse
we in this that I would by noe meanes faile to Pforme
this Comendinge my love unto you, And youo the mertcy
and good Ptectione of the Lorde I shall allwaysrest
You^{r} assured Lovinge Cosine
From Thistlewoorth this Elizabeth Dale
21th of September
To my mush esteemed Cosen
Mr George Thorpe
in Virginia this be

[86] Hugh Willastone Gent

*(2) Elizabeth, widow of Sir Thomas Dale, was daughter of Sir Thomas Throckmorton and his wife Eiizabeth, daughter of Sir Richard Berkeley. Margaret Throckmorton, aunt of Sir Thomas, married Thomas Thorpe, and was the grandmother of Capt. George Thorpe, of Virginia.

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Articles Covenanted Concluded and agreed uppon the xiii daye of february 1623 Between Capt Rawley Croshaw of Virginia
of the one P'^{tie}, And Liut John Shipwarde of Newports News in Virginia of the other parte.

In primis the said Liut John Shipwarde beinge princypall Agent and
overseer for Mr Daniell Gookine of his Plantacon have in Virginia that
whereas the said Daniell Gookine is and doth stand indebted jnto the saide
Capt Rawley Croshow in the some or quantetie of 46 boushells and A
halfe of good Indyan Corne sheald
The said John Shipwarde by these p^{r}nts doth Covenant Conclude Promise
grante and agree before his Departure into Englande, to deliver
into the hands Custodie and possessione of the said Rawley Croshow his
Executors or assignes in pawne and morgage of the saide 46 bushells
and a halfe of Corne, three good milche kyne owt of the stock of
kyne belonginge to the saide Mr Daniell Gookine at his Plantatione
at Newpofts Newes, such as the saide Capt. Croshow or his assignes
shall Chuse and accept of

Provided always and soe it is Covenanted Concluded and fully agreede
by and between the saide P^{ties} y^{t} yf the saide Daniell Gookine his executors
or assignes shall and doe well and trewly content satisfie and paye or

cause to be paide to the saide Capt Rawley Croshow his executors
or assignes the said some or quantitie of 46 bushells & a halfe
of corne good cleane and sheald in or uppon the second daye of
february wch shalbe in the yeere of our Lord God 1624 at or in
the now dwelling house of the saide Capt Rawley Croshow in Virginia
wth owt fraude Coven or Colusione,. then the saide Capt Rawley
Croshow his Executo^rs^ and assignes shall redeliver back ye said
three kyne or three other as good in there plece, Otherwyse
the said three kine to be bought and solde, and the saide Capt
Rawley Croshow his Executors and assignes freely to possess &
enioy them as his and theire p'per goodes forever In witnes
wherof the saide P^ties^ to toese presents Interchangeably have
putte theire handes and seales the daye and yeere firste above written

Sealed Signed and delivered
in the presence of — Jo^e^ Powntis
John Southerne — John Shipwarde

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[86] Hugh Willastone Gent.

Whefas Mr Hugh Willastone gent hath paide
in redye money to Sr Thomas Smith knight Threrer
for Virginia the some of Twelve powndes tenn shillings
for his adventure in the vioadge of Virginia It is
agreede that for the same the saide Hugh Willastone
his heyrs Executors Administrators and assignes shall
have ratable by accordinge to his adventure the full
parte of all such landes tenements & hereditaments &
as shall from tyme to tyme be there recovered

Planted and inhabited And of all such mynes and
myneralls of gold silver and other mettalls or
treasure pearles pretious stones or any kinds of
wares or m^{r}chandizes Comodities or Pfitts w^{t}soever
which shalbe obtained or gotten in the saide vioage
Accordinge to the porcyone of money by him ymployed
to that use In as ample maner as any other adventurer
shall receave for the like some.

Written this 29th of June 1608

Richarde Atkinson

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A Courte held the 14th of March, 1624 being present
Sr Francis Wyat Knight
Governor &c, Capt' Francis West, S^{r}
George Yardley Knight, Doctor Pott
Capt. Roger Smith

Yt is ordered y^{t} all such passengers as are now come
into this Country in the good shipp called the Ann
of London and Doe intend to seate and plant them
selves at Kickotan, may there lande themselves
and theire goodes, And that such marchants as are now
Come in the said shipp shall not
make sale and above a fewerth parte of theire
Com'odities *as make sale thereof* before they
have made the Governor and Counsell Acquainted
herewith. To the and that they and other ye planters
in the Countrey may have a p'portion thereof
for theire necessary use. And we desire
Capt. Francis West and Capt William Tucker
Carefully to se this our order p'formed. and for to
prevent any unorderly goinge abourd the said
shipp

Whereas we are informed of ye plantation at Acomack, by
receaving many planters into them are like to be in great

want of Corne y^{t} is ordered y^{t} Capt Epps shall take a viewe of every man's store of Corne & According as theire necessitie shall require, To have leave to trade with ye Indians of y^{t} shore for such quantity of Corne as sha.l supplie theire wants, Provided that he himself goe wth such a strength as shalbe Sufficyent And to dispose of such truck in stufl as shalbe brought in by the planters to him & on wch they shall receave one thirde of ye corne bought with theire trucking stuffe, to ye end y^{t} every man's want may be suppied, And that the inhansing of pryses and Disprderly Trading may be prevented.

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Y^{t} is further ordered y^{t} vtill there be some order taken for a Comyssione for determinge of pettie differences at Accomack that Capt Epps shall in the meane tyme have full power & Authority to Administer an oath to any Psone or Psones there inhabitinge for ye better decidinge of any smale cause (that may there arise) by way of Compremise, and for savinge the Charge and trouble of Sendinge up of witnesses hither, for the endinge of any suite or suites, y^{t} are to be tried at this Courte, dependinge between any the Inhaitants of Accomak.

Robert Paramore sworne and Examined sayeth that y^{t} Mr Horwood Cominge to George Tryer for to buye certen boonds, Georg Tryer told Mr Horwood he could not sell them under six pound of tobacco a boorde, and y^{t} he would have some thinge ells over and above, but that was (sic) this deponent cannott tell, and soe Mr Horwood went away not Concludinge of any pryse.

M^{r} Wm Horwood sworne and examined sayeth, that
he went to Pasby Hayes to George Tryer to
bye some boordes at wch tyme he bought
of George Tryer six boordes of eighteene
foote longe and eighteen Inches deepe at the
price of five pound of tobacco ye boorde of
wch I Governor havinge two Mr Horwood demande
two other of George Tryer, who replide he
had non of ye length, but shewed him
another stock of twelve foote longe, and 18
inches deepe.

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Thomas Marlott gent sworne and Examined sayeth y^{t} vppon friday
the xith of March 1624 he beinge in Company wth M^{r}
Thomas Bunn at Capt Mathews house, where Mr
John Roe did then lye sick, he harde Mr Bunn use
these speches to Mr Roe (vdlt) Mr Roe you are very
weake and sick, and I would advise you to settle your
estate as well for the disposinge of you^{r} owne estate as
of ye estate of Mr Henry Wentworth wch is now in you^{r}
posessione to wch Mr Roe answered (he beinge
then in Pfect memory) my desire is that you will
take both my owne estate and Mr Wentworths into yu^{r}
handes, and y^{t} you would sende Mr Wentworths
goodes into Englande vnto him, yf Mr Wentworth came
nott over him self or sent sufficyent order for the
receavinge of them heere, And for my owne
estate, I freely leave that to your selfe, then M^{r}
Bunn told him sayinge Mr Roe y^{t} may be that you
have some freends in Englande to whom you will
bestow some Pte of you^{r} goodes and you may doe
well to Consider of that, To whom Mr Roe saide y^{t} he
wold desire Mr Bunn to make Choyse of two hundred

pound waight of his best Tobacco, and send it to Mr Wentworth into England, to be sent by Mr Wentworth to his mother into Yorksheere for A token to her and all that remayned of his estate be gave to Mr Bunn, save some smale quantetie of Tobacco wch he would give in the house to those that tended him wch he did hope Mr Bunn would not be against, Mr Bunn replied (god forbid I should) And there vppon Mr Roe deliuered Mr Bunn A bounde for 400^{ti} pound of Tobacco dew from Mr Stogden to Mr Wentworth And 2 other letters that were sent him from Kickatan.

(To be continued.)